

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification at paragraph [0026] and [0027] as follows:

[0026] With reference to FIGS. 1A-1E and 2, a first variation of the apparatus is shown. Apparatus 10 comprises elongate body 12 configured for insertion within a body lumen, conduit, organ, orifice or passageway. Elongate body 12 may, for example, comprise a steerable, rigidizable and/or multi-segmented body, such as described in co-pending U.S. patent application Ser. No. 10/797,485 (~~Attorney Docket No. 021496-000130US~~), filed Mar. 9, 2004, which has been incorporated by reference above. Body 12 comprises working axis W and distal region 13. Apparatus 10 further comprises at least one articulating element 20, shown in this example as two elements 20a and 20b (collectively referred to as elements 20), disposed near or at distal region 13 of body 12.

[0027] Elongate body 12 further comprises housing 14, which may be slidably disposed over one or more working lumens 16, illustratively shown as working lumens 16a and 16b. Either lumen may be an insufflation lumen. Articulating elements 20 may be pivotally coupled to housing 14 by linkages 21a and 21b, which extend between hinges 22a and 22b of elements 20a and 20b and hinges 15a and 15b, respectively, of housing 14. Push/pull members 24a and 24b may also be provided to actuate articulating elements 20a and 20b, respectively, between the collapsed profile and radially extended profile.